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Jeff Teague, 2007, joins the Pacers

Jeff Teague, 2007, has joined the Indiana Pacers, fulfilling one of his lifetime dreams. Jeff had played for the Atlanta Hawks for 7 seasons.

In his 1st regular season game with the Pacers, Jeff scored 20 points. He also had 8 assists and 2 steals.

Jeff and the Pacers are finding themselves in a building formation: new teams, new coach, and new system.

Jeff's glad to be back in his hometown where basketball is the name of the game.

When he signed with the Pacers in June, he was happy to sign one of his Hickory jerseys for the 2016 Alumni golf outing. It was one of the sought after raffle prizes. Pike alums will be anxiously supporting his performance throughout the season.

He has also been seen on Channel 59 in a return visit to Pike and the gymnasium where it all began. He chatted with teachers and students and enjoyed remembering various Pike basketball moments from the start of his career.

Amber Campbell, '99, Best U.S. Hammer Finish

Amber Campbell, '99, threw the best women's hammer at the Olympic Games. She threw 238 feet, 8 inches—less than 2 meters from a medal.

Amber had participated in 2 previous Olympics; she knew what to expect. She ranks in the world's top 10 for a third straight year.

Amber now lives in Myrtle Beach, SC, but she spends at least a week of her 6 weeks off in Indianapolis, visiting family and friends.

At this time 35 year old Campbell is not sure what her future holds, but is reluctant to end her career when she's getting better.

"From the Ashes", Heartland Film Festival

In October "From the Ashes" was one of the features shown in the Heartland Film Festival. It was the story of the December 1977 plane

crash in which the University of Evansville basketball team lost their lives. Mark Siegel, '77, was a freshman member of the team.

2017 Hall of Fame

The 8th annual Hall of Fame/Top 30 dinner will be held **May 7, 2017**, at Pike High School.

Pike High School has graduated thousands of people with rewarding careers, including individuals who have touched the lives of many people. These individuals include artists, elected officials, CEO's, physicians, lawyers, entrepreneurs, and many more.

Please take a moment to nominate an individual who meets the following criteria: graduate of PHS who has been out of high school at least 10 years, has special achievements in the nominee's area of specialization; has received honors or other recognition on a local, regional, national level; has demonstrated community service; and has made meritorious contributions to society. The nomination form for 2017 is available if you [click here](#).

The recipients thus far have included the following:

2008—Anne Sablosky (Hank Phillippi Ryan), '67, author, television reporter; Tom French, '76, Pulitzer Prize winner in journalism; David Gadis, '80, president of Veolia; Dr. Jerry Smartt, '92, neurologist; and Kelly Lloyd, '95, lawyer, beauty pageant coordinator.

2009—Jay Bradley, '67, athletic trainer for IUPUS; Dr. Gary Misamore, '70, sports medicine physician; and Tony Prather, '76, attorney.

2010—Clarence Wood, '43, bank manager, and MSD School Board president 1975-1078; Dr. Bruce Monroe, '58, inventor and author; Jim Kittle, '62, President of Kittle's Furniture Group, past state Republican Party Chairman; Major General Erika Steuterman (formerly Dawn Covington), '72, mobilization assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Programs, Pentagon; Dr. Zara Rolfes Larsen, '75, live talk radio host; and Tim Cindric, '86, President of Penske Racing, Penske Performance.

2011—Dr. Gloria Cobb, '58, missionary doctor; Capt. Jeff Amick, '78, career naval officer; B.J. Nichols, '82, president of Reis-Nichols Jewelers; Dr. Peter Carmichael, '84, history professor, author; and Dr. Nichole Nicholson Wilson, '95, sports medicine doctor.

2012—Chris Gahl, '96, VP of Marketing & Communications, Indianapolis Convention & Visitors Association; Yolanda M. King, '94, assistant professor of law at IUPUI; and Dave Wood, '72, coach of West Lafayette High School's basketball team, coach of the 2009 Indiana All-Star basketball team.

2013—Dr. Gina Evans-Hudnall, '95, investigator for the Michael E. Debakey VA Medical Center; Peter Dunn, '96, award-winning comedian and financial mind; Rob Macomber, '87, Grammy and Emmy Award winner; and Dawn Whitehead, '93, Director of Curriculum Internationalization at IUPUI.

2014—Dr. Mark Dyken, '75, specialist in sleep disorders; Amber Campbell, '99, USA track & field participant and 2004 Olympic trials; Lori Lindsey, '98, member of the US Women's National Soccer team and alternate for 2012 Olympics; and

Sasheer Zamata (Moore), 2004, featured player on Saturday Night Live.

2015—Jeff Burchfied, '66, retired Guion Creek Middle School and Pike High School teacher; Mark Montieth, '73, author, radio/television/newspaper sports reporter, blog writer for the Pacers.

2016—Larry Metzler, '73, MSD School Board member for 20 years; Sherron Moore Rogers, '98, Associate VP of Eskenazi Health, named one of the city's Forty Under 40 in 2014; Dr. Stephanie Jackson, '97, pediatric sleep specialist.

Pike Passings

- **Amanda Corder Shumaker, '98.**
- **Steve Wild, '66.**
- **Christine Harris Nichols, '81,** sister of **Charlie Harris, '84; Jo Harris, '83,** and Jill Harris.
- **Ed Damour, '66.**
- **Michael Robert Walker, '60.**
- Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Templeman, parents of **Cheryl Templeman, '72; Karen Templeman Renick, '73; Kelly Templeman Blaylock, '84;** and **Patrick Blaylock, '76.**
- Don Orr, retired PHS science teacher, husband of Susan Orr, retired MSD teacher, and father of **Sandra Orr Schlosser, '79;** and **Mary Ann Orr Tippett, '84.**
- **Phil Wagner, '74.**
- Morris French, father of **Victoria French Shaver, '77; Don French, '78;** and **Tim French, '81.**
- William C. Hamerstadt, brother of Margo Hamerstadt Finney, retired PHS English teacher.
- Lois Arlene Torgerson, mother of **Kim Torgerson, '68,** and **Tom Torgerson, '74.**
- George R. Flexman, father of **Lois Flexman Daugherty, '62; Paul Flexman, '64; Nancy Flexman, '66; George Flexman, '74,** and Bobbi Flexman.
- Bernadine Maners, mother of **Darrell Maners, '66; Charlene Maners LaPaugh, '69I** and **Dwayne Maners, '71 (deceased).**
- Howard G. Lueders, father of **John Lueders, '75; Dan Lueders, '79;** and **Susan Lueders Trajkovski, '84.**
- George R. Johnson, father of Paulette Friend, MSD aide and father-in-law of **Tim Friend, '74,** PHS teacher.
- **Herb Norman, '58,** retired former MSD print department manager.
- **Rick Pollard, '87.**
- Ken Craig, father of **Mark Craig, '72.**

Pike Goes to the Ballot Box

Pike graduates ran for political office and won. Eric Holcomb, '86, was elected Governor of the state. He is no stranger to the Indiana political scene, having worked for Mitch Daniels and having been the Chairman of the State Republican Party. Most recently he was the Lieutenant Governor with Mike Pence.

John Ruckelshaus, '78, won his seat as State Representative for House District 30. John comes to the political scene from a family which has long service in Indiana government. His father was a long time member of the Indianapolis School Board and of the Indiana State Senate.

Carey Jeffries Hamilton, '89, is the newly elected State Representative for House District 87.

Closer to home, Larry Metzler, '73, won re-election to the Pike School Board. His election for the 5th time makes him the person with the longest seniority in board history; he has served on the board since 1996. Congratulations, Larry.

Perhaps Pike is where it all began, both Eric and John were class presidents for their respective senior classes.

Congratulations to these 4 Pike grads.

Memorial Donations

The Alumni Association has been working very hard to combine fun, significant events, and opportunities to help current Pike students: a way to honor both Pike's past and its present and future.

We are all too aware that \$1000 doesn't go very far toward college tuition any more; however, it is a start. We would like to grow the size of our scholarships. The 2014 year's scholarships were increased from our traditional \$1000 scholarships to 2 scholarships of \$3000 each.

We have begun a new feature. We are including a memorial column, showing who has donated money to the scholarship fund in memory of a Pike person. If contributions in the name of any single person reach \$1000, a Pike Alumni Association scholarship will be awarded in that person's name. If donations do not reach the \$1000 level, they will be added to the regular Pike scholarships given annually. Thus, the actual number and amount of the scholarships may vary from year to year, with 1 scholarship with a \$1000 base being the minimum.

Memorial Contributions:

In Memory of Don Orr, MA Booth

Will Donations

In 2014 an astounding 93% of Pike High School seniors graduated—and nearly half of those graduating had some college credit! Many Pike graduates further their education by attending a university or trade school. But, absent the financial resources, some very talented and hard-working students find they are unable to attend without acquiring a mountain of student loan debt.

Looking back on the experiences that shape us, most Pike High School graduates can recall a teacher, counselor, coach, or administrator who mentored or otherwise inspired us to reach for success. You can express your gratitude by setting up an Annual Scholarship Fund or a One-Time Scholarship Donation in their name. You may elect to immediately provide the money necessary to fund your scholarship or you may choose to provide funding in your Last Will and Testament. In addition, the type of scholarship fund you select may reduce your income taxes during your lifetime and/or estate taxes paid after your death.

When you provide for a scholarship, you convey the message to the recipient of those funds that education is key, and their success in life is important to you. By naming your scholarship for a teacher who encouraged you and made a positive difference in your life, you honor their legacy.

To learn more about scholarship funding, the Pike High School Alumni Association invites you to call Attorney and Pike High School alumnus, Charlie Ward of [Ward & Ward Law Firm](#). Charlie will be happy to answer all of your questions, including tax concerns and to help you facilitate a scholarship fund that will enable future Pike High School students with economic needs to pursue their educational goals.

Call Charlie Ward today at 317-639-9501 or toll free at 888-639-9501. You may visit Charlie's website at: www.wardlawfirm.com.



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